

ONLY A FEW FARES REPORTED

RECEIPTS OF FISH SINCE SATURDAY HAVE BEEN VERY LIGHT.

Receipts of fresh fish at this port have been very light since Saturday. Most of the boats enjoyed a double holiday, remaining tied up in the harbor over Sunday and yesterday, many of them being utilized as sight-seeing craft for friends of the captain and crew. The largest fare of importance was a haddock trip brought to the Pew wharf by sch. Laura Goulart. The offshore dragger, Carrie S. Roderick, brought 50,000 pounds of mixed fish for the General Seafoods Company. Mackerel receipts since Saturday amounted to only 17,000 pounds. Only a couple of gill netters landed any fish yesterday.

Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:

Sch. St. Rosalie, seining, 8000 lbs. fresh mackerel.
Boat Rosie, seining, 5000 lbs. fresh mackerel.
Boat Antonio, seining, 930 lbs. fresh mackerel.
Boat Hoop-la, seining, 3000 lbs. fresh mackerel.
Boat Fannie Powell, seining, 500 lbs. fresh mackerel.
Sch. Laura Goulart, haddock, 180,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Carrie S. Roderick, dragging, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat 815C, trawling, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat 649C, trawling, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Rhodora, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish, 12,000 lbs. salt fish.
Boat Nashawena, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Enterprise, gill netting, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sailed.

Boat Bethulia, seining.
Boat Capt. Drum, seining.
Boat Fannie Powell, seining.
Boat Sawyer, seining.
Boat Uncle Sam, seining.
Boat Leretha, seining.
Boat Alice and Mildred, seining.
Boat Ramona, seining.
Boat Natale II, seining.
Boat Hoop-la, seining.
Boat Governor Prence, seining.
Boat Clarence B. Mitchell, seining.
Boat Alicia, seining.
Sch. Paolina, seining.
Sch. Josephine and Mary, seining.
Sch. St. Providenza II, seining.
Sch. Annie and Mary, seining.
Sch. St. Peter, seining.
Sch. St. Rosalie, seining.
Boat Eleanor, seining.
Boat Jackie B., seining.
Boat Three Sisters, seining.
Sch. Thomaston, shore.
Sch. Beauty S. Joseph, dragging.

On the Railways.

Sch. yachts Voyage II. and Shang-wang, are on Rocky Neck railways.

Lobster Notes.

Over 2000 packages of lobsters were received last week from New Brunswick. Sales to wholesale dealers were at 30 cents per pound as compared with 25 cents per pound in the same period last year.

Find Ship's Bell.

A grim reminder of a marine disaster involving the loss of 15 lives in the winter of 1928, was brought to the Boston fish pier Saturday by the beam-trawler William J. O'Brien. It was a ship's bell, belonging to the little British steamer Sagua la Grande, which vanished sometime after sailing from Philadelphia on January 22, 1928, bound to Halifax, N. S. with a cargo of 900 tons of coal. The place where the bell was fished up from the ocean depths is 180 miles southeast of Boston Lightship and undoubtedly it was at or near this spot where the Sagua la Grande went to the bottom, probably in the midst of a gale, carrying all hands.

HEAVY SUPPLY AT BOSTON PIER

FORTY-SIX VESSELS ON HAND TODAY WITH ALMOST TWO MILLION POUNDS.

All kinds of fish was available to wholesalers on the Boston fish pier this morning. Forty-six vessels were in after the holiday and most of them were loaded. Total receipts were 1,406,000 pounds of groundfish, 225,000 pounds of mixed fish, 13,000 pounds of halibut, 67,000 pounds of blink mackerel, 179 swordfish and 1800 pounds of saltfish. Prices were fairly good on the opening.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:

Boat Natale II., 37,000 blink mackerel.
Boat Cormorant, 12,000 blink mackerel.
Boat Rosie, 18,000 blink mackerel.
Sch. Olivia Brown, 132 swordfish.
Boat Col. Lindbergh, 15 swordfish.
Sch. Irene and Mabel, 11 swordfish.
Str. White Cap, 108,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 12,000 mixed fish.
Str. Spray, 124,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 5000 mixed fish.
Str. Fish Hawk, 35,000 haddock, 7000 cod, 8700 mixed fish.
Str. Cormorant, 86,000 haddock, 13,000 cod, 30,000 mixed fish.
Str. Holy Cross, 76,000 haddock, 34,000 cod, 20,000 mixed fish.
Str. Wave, 110,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 10,000 mixed fish.
Str. Surf, 52,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 13,000 mixed fish.
Sch. Francis J. Manta, 28,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 2500 mixed fish.
Sch. Fannie F. Hickey, 24,000 haddock, 1500 cod, 4700 mixed fish.
Boat Waltham, II., 12,000 haddock, 500 cod, 1000 mixed fish.
Sch. R. Eugene Ashley, 33,000 haddock, 7500 cod, 11,000 mixed fish.
Boat St. Joseph, 5700 mixed fish.
Boat Princess, 9900 mixed fish.
Boat Francis, 3500 mixed fish.
Boat Automatic, 9800 mixed fish.
Boat Mayflower, 10,600 mixed fish.
Boat Mary G., 11,100 mixed fish.
Boat Ethel, 7500 mixed fish.
Boat Mary G. II., 1100 mixed fish.
Boat Rose of Italy, 3200 mixed fish.
Boat Martner, 4400 mixed fish.
Boat Two Pals, 6200 mixed fish.
Boat Leonardo, 7300 mixed fish.
Boat Mao IV., 22,000 haddock, 9500 mixed fish.
Sch. Mary A., 12,000 haddock, 600 cod, 4500 hake, 4000 pollock.
Sch. Isabel Parker, 29,000 haddock, 28,000 cod, 2000 pollock.
Sch. Killarney, 29,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 6600 pollock.
Sch. Lark, 50,000 haddock, 36,000 cod, 5000 hake, 5000 pollock.
Sch. Shamrock, 31,000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 3000 hake, 5000 pollock.
Sch. Mary P. Goulart, 42,000 haddock, 19,000 cod, 2000 pollock.
Sch. Mary DeCosta, 10,000 haddock, 45,000 cod.
Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 8000 haddock, 28,000 cod, 4 swordfish.
Sch. Mary E. O'Hara, 3000 haddock, 49,000 cod.
Sch. Gertrude DeCosta, 1500 haddock, 35,000 cod, 4 swordfish.
Sch. Joseph Warner, 26,000 cod, 3000 hake.
Sch. Natalie Hammond, 13,000 halibut, 10,000 fresh fish, 13,000 salt fish, 13 swordfish.
Boat Victory, 7000 mixed fish.
Boat Atalanta, 6300 mixed fish.
Boat Arthur and Matthew, 5000 mixed fish.
Boat Fanny Parnell, 5100 mixed fish.
Haddock, \$3 per cwt.; large cod, \$3 to \$4; market cod, \$2.25; hake, \$1.50; pollock, \$2 to \$2.50; cusk, \$2; gray sole, 3 cents per lb.; lemon sole, 5 cents; black backs, 3 1-2 cents; yellow tails, 3 cents; dabs, 3 cents; large mackerel, 16 cents; blinks, 6.75 to 7 cents; halibut, 27 cents for white, 23 1-2 cents for gray; 13 cents for chicken; swordfish, 14 cents to 22 cents; catfish, 4 cents.

SEASON CLOSING FOR THE SWORDFISHERS

The swordfishing season is about over as far as the vessels are concerned and they are quitting this branch now as they arrive.

The crew of sch. Hazel M. Jackson will share about \$2000 to a man for the season's work, probably the largest share ever made by a swordfishing vessel.

N. F. Codfish News.

Reports of this week point to an improved fishery in many sections where the catch has been a comparative blank. The movement of codfish and bait fish has been peculiar this year. In some places large schools of fish paid no heed to traps or trawl, the same peculiarity was experienced with bait. The lack of bait earlier in the season may have been a reason for the short catch of hook and liners, just as the late arrival of caplin and squid had something to do with keeping fish away from the principal fishing grounds. It is pleasing to hear that conditions are improving and we all hope this will mean a good fall fishery. Trap fishing is still being resorted to and with continued good weather much of the month's fishing lost may be made up. At Belle Isle traps are doing well and 80 schooners loaded. From Cook's Harbor to Griquet fishing is good for traps but bait scarcity is interfering with hook and liners. Fish continues scarce all around White Bay, but at Groais Island trap fishing is excellent. From Point Armour to Red Bay traps are averaging from 10 to 30 quintals per day. There are plenty of fish at Lance Au Loup and St. Modiste but poor fishing continues from Carbonear to Cockers Cove, Shoe Cove and Greenspond, Daniel's Harbour East to Ferrole, also at Deer Island, Bragg's Island, St. Brendans, Gooseberry Island, Fair Island and Silver Fox Island. The trap fishery has been peculiar this year, for instance at Loeb Bay, all traps but one, were taken up on the usual date around the last of July. This lone trap left in the water hauled 30 quintals in one day this week and there has since been a mad scramble by all trap owners of the settlement to get their twine in the water again. The outlook today seems very encouraging for an average fishery all round, though our shore fishery will be likely short. The Bank fishery will be below the average. News from Oporto is less encouraging. Liberal stocks are on hand and Newfoundland cure continues in prestige. The Spanish market is good for shore and Labrador and buyers are making plans for future shipments; it is currently reported that an export duty of \$1.00 per quintal will be imposed on Newfoundland fish by the Spanish government.—Maritime Merchant.

Sept. 4

SEASON'S MACKEREL CATCH IS SLIGHTLY AHEAD OF LAST YEAR

The landings of the mackerel fleet last week aggregated 8493 barrels of fresh and 15 barrels of salt mackerel. They sold to wholesale dealers at from two to five and one-fourth cents pound for blinks and 8 to 14 cents per pound for large. Recent arrivals were largely blinks or tinkers that averaged about three-fourths of a pound each. They were caught mostly off Chatham.

In the corresponding week last year the mackerel fleet brought in 10,518 barrels of fresh and 154 barrels of salt mackerel. They sold at 3 1-2 to 12 cents for large and 4 1-2 cents to 8 cents for blinks.

Salt mackerel are in good demand, but offerings are very light. Some of the arrivals of fresh mackerel last week were sold for curing. Some fish are now being cured in Ireland as well as in Norway. No sales have been reported recently.

Comparative Catches by Years.

The total catch of mackerel to date has been 179,055 barrels of fresh and 609 barrels of salt mackerel. In 1928 to this date, the catch was 178,190 barrels of fresh and 352 barrels of salt mackerel; in 1927, 234,397 barrels of fresh and 996 barrels of salt mackerel; in 1926, 236,324 barrels of fresh and 4890 barrels of salt mackerel; in 1925, 138,445 barrels of fresh and 8331 barrels of salt mackerel.

Sept. 5

LOCAL RECEIPTS OFF A BIT

NO MACKEREL FARES WERE LANDED HERE THIS MORNING.

None of the seiners brought mackerel to port this morning, the fish failing to show up again among the few seiners who went looking for them yesterday. In view of the glut on the market, dealers were just as well satisfied that no more were landed, for yesterday, due to poor icing, over 125,000 pounds of mackerel were dumped at sea. Today's receipts were confined to the dragger Edith C. Rose with 18,000 pounds of fresh fish. Gill netters landed 16,000 pounds of fresh fish yesterday afternoon.

Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:
Sch. Edith C. Rose, dragging, 18,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Grace A., trawling, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Cape Ann, ia Boston.
Sch. America, via Boston.

Yesterday's Gill Net Receipts.

Boat Agnes and Myrnie, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Enterprise, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat William Landry, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Lucretia, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Nashawena, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Eliza C. Riggs, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sailed.

Sch. Mary F. Curtis, seining.
Sch. Stiletto, seining.

On the Railways.

Boat 649 C., is on Burnham's railways.
Boat Evelyn H., is on Rocky Neck railways.

Changing Over.

The swordfishermen Irene and Helen, Irene and Mabel, Mildred Silva, Cape Ann and America are changing over, the first three to dragging and the other to seining.

TAGS SHOW WHERE

MACKEREL MIGRATE

Beginning about 1925, it was arranged the numbers of these fish be secured each year from the mackerel traps along the coast, and a numbered metal tag, attached to a celluloid band, fastened to the tail of each fish and the fish liberated. In addition to the number each tag bore the name "Canada" or "U. S." to more clearly identify the location of waters and country of origin where the fish were captured and liberated. Publicity was given to experiments, the fishermen being advised in the recapture of such tagged fish to forward the tag with date and place of capture to the proper officials in charge.

In June, 1925, over 600 mackerel were secured from a trap-net at Cranberry Head, Yarmouth county Nova Scotia, and duly tagged and liberated. The experiment was continued each succeeding year at Cranberry Head and other points along the Nova Scotia coast, and also at the Magdalen Islands. Similar experiments were conducted by the United States Commission. A number of the tagged fish were recaptured at different points along the Canadian coast and also in United States waters. For instance last year mackerel bearing the "Canada" tag were captured off Block Island, Rhode Island and other Massachusetts waters.

It is quite probable that the rubber bands were placed on a number of mackerel by persons doing the tagging at one of the tagging points.

SEINERS SWAMP TODAY'S MARKET

NEARLY A MILLION POUNDS OF SMALL MACKEREL BROUGHT TO PORT.

With nearly a million pounds of small mackerel here this morning, fish handlers are hard put to care for the vast amount of fish which is being unloaded. Yesterday the market was practically bare of fish; today it is over-burdened with mackerel weighing from a half to three-quarters of a pound. The fares run from 6000 pounds up to 125,000 pounds.

Fresh fish receipts were confined to the dragger Herbert Parker for the General Seafoods, and the shore boat Mary, A., down from Boston for Davis Brothers.

Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:
Sch. Josephine and Mary, seining, 125,000 lbs. fresh mackerel.
Boat St. Rita, seining, 115,000 lbs. fresh mackerel.

Sch. Herbert Parker, dragging, 50,000 lbs. fresh mackerel, 12 swordfish.
Sch. Mary A., via Boston, 8000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Natalie Hammond, via Boston, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish, 18,000 lbs. salt fish.
Sch. Elizabeth M. King, via Boston.
Boat Florence K., seining.
Sch. Irene and Mabel, via Boston.
Sch. Irene and Helen, via Boston.

Yesterday's Gill Netting Receipts.

Boat Lucretia, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat William Landry, 4500 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Nashawena, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Enterprise, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.
Boat Agnes and Myrnie, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sailed.

Sch. Elizabeth and Ruth, dragging.
British sch. Mary Sabena, Nova Scotia ports.
Sch. Vasco da Gama, dragging.
Sch. Thomaston, shore.

ANOTHER HEAVY DAY AT BOSTON

THIRTY-EIGHT ARRIVALS THIS MORNING HAVE ABOUT ALL VARIETIES.

Dealers on the Boston fish pier were again supplied with all kinds of fresh fish. There were 38 craft at the dock on the opening which brought 1,219,000 pounds of groundfish, 182 swordfish, 141,100 pounds of mixed fish and 259,000 pounds of blink mackerel. There were eight seiners on hand, the St. Rita alone bringing in 100,000. Groundfish market remained quite firm. The price of blinks slumped but swordfish held up well and brought 14 to 25 cents.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:
Str. Saturn, 110,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 10,000 mixed fish.
Str. Ocean, 142,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 9000 mixed fish.
Str. Coot, 133,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 24,000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Josephine DeCosta, 31,000 cod, 2500 hake.
Sch. Elmer E. Gray, 4000 haddock, 34,000 cod.
Sch. Cape Ann, 80 swordfish.
Sch. America, 58 swordfish.
Sch. Viola, 22 swordfish.
Sch. Elizabeth A., 22 swordfish.
Boat Mary W., 20,000 blink mackerel.
Boat Three Sisters, 25,000 blink mackerel.

Boat St. Rita, 100,000 blink mackerel.
Boat Little Joe, 25,000 blink mackerel.
Boat Naomi Bruce II., 43,000 blink mackerel.

Boat Santana, 20,000 blink mackerel.
Boat Salvatore, 6000 blink mackerel.
Boat Restless, 20,000 blink mackerel.
Sch. Restless, 20,000 blink mackerel.
Boat Charles M. Fauci, 7400 mixed fish.

Boat Mao II., 9000 mixed fish.
Boat Charles M. Fauci III, 5200 mixed fish.

Boat Fred Henry, 8000 mixed fish.
Boat Josie II, 10,400 mixed fish.
Boat Alphonso, 6200 mixed fish.
Boat Josie, 4300 mixed fish.

Haddock, \$2.50 to \$3 per cwt.; large cod, \$4; market cod, \$2.50; hake, \$1.50; pollock, \$2; cusk, \$2; gray sole, 4 cents per lb; lemon sole, 5 cents; black backs, 3 1-2 cents; yellow tails, 3 1-2 cents; dabs, 3 1-2 cents; blink mackerel, 1 1-2 cents to 2 cents; large mackerel, 16 to 17 cents; swordfish, 14 cents to 22 cents per lb; catfish, 5 cents.